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House Resolution 1267

By: Representative Maddox of the 172<sup>nd</sup>

## A RESOLUTION

- 1 Dedicating a portion of State Road 97 in Decatur County in honor of Mr. Jack Wingate; and
- 2 for other purposes.
- 3 WHEREAS, Mr. Jack Wingate has lived a life most people can only dream of, making a
- 4 living in the sport he dearly loves, as fishing guide; and
- 5 WHEREAS, since 1957, he has owned and operated a fish camp located on Lake Seminole,
- 6 a camp which has gained national recognition among the best fishermen in the country as
- 7 "Lunker Lodge," so named because of the phenomenal successes they have recognized
- 8 during their stays there, thanks in part to Mr. Wingate's legendary abilities as a guide; and
- 9 WHEREAS, Mr. Wingate has almost singlehandedly been responsible for garnering for
- 10 Lake Seminole a national reputation as one of the country's premier fishing and hunting
- locations, and as a result, thousands of sportsmen visit Georgia each year to fish and hunt at
- 12 Lake Seminole, contributing greatly to the state and local economy; and
- WHEREAS, he has always been eager to use his tremendous talent as a fishing guide to help
- others, and he established a camp for young people which over the past 26 years has given
- 15 hundreds of Georgia's youth a quality fishing experience and has started many on a lifetime
- 16 of enjoying the sport; and
- 17 WHEREAS, in recognition of his ability and his service to his fellow citizens, Mr. Wingate
- has been inducted into the National Freshwater Fishing Hall of Fame as a Legendary Guide.
- 19 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF
- 20 GEORGIA that the portion of State Road 97 in Decatur County from the U.S. Highway 84
- 21 by-pass southward to the Florida state line is dedicated as the "Jack Wingate Highway."

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1 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Department of Transportation is authorized and

- 2 directed to erect and maintain signs so identifying the highway.
- 3 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
- 4 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to the Department of
- 5 Transportation and Mr. Jack Wingate.